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Solidarity Modules: Crediting of voluntary or obligatory assistance for studies

Dear students, dear colleagues,

«We act in an ethically responsible manner.» This is what the UAS Grisons writes in its guiding principles. We would like to live up to this motto even in these extraordinary times. Inspired by the University of Education of the Grisons, our university management has decided that students of the UAS Grisons will be offered the opportunity to have voluntary or compulsory services in the context of the Corona pandemic credited to their studies. With these services our students demonstrate their solidarity with society. At the same time, the UAS Grisons appreciates the services rendered and compensates them with ECTS points.

Two variants of solidarity modules

In the spring semester 2020, the UAS Grisons offers two solidarity modules of 2 ECTS each in the Bachelor and consecutive Master programmes. Both voluntary and compulsory pandemic services can be credited to the semester.

1. *Solidarity module VOLUNTARY I and II*

Students apply independently to institutions or support private individuals and determine their deployment. 2 ECTS are credited in Solidarity Module I for 60 hours of work. The voluntary service can be extended to a maximum of one Solidarity Module II with a further 2 ECTS.

2. *Solidarity module OBLIGATORY I and II*

A credit is also granted in the case of assistance service in civil defence or military service for corona management missions. 10 service days can be credited as Solidarity Module I with 2 ECTS. If the service lasts three weeks or more (at least 19 days), Solidarity Module II will also be credited with another 2 ECTS.

Registration of a solidarity module

The solidarity modules apply to Bachelor and consecutive Master programmes with the exception of the Master of Science in Engineering (MSE) and are open to students of all academic years. It is important to note that the voluntary assignments within the solidarity modules must be carried out alongside the other compulsory and optional modules specified in the timetable. Students can register for a solidarity module from now on until 8 May 2020 at the latest.

Each study programme has specified which existing compulsory or optional modules can be replaced by Solidarity Modules I and II. [Riccarda Ryffel](#) in Student Services can provide information on this and other questions. Insurance for personal injury, liability, property damage or other damages arising from the assignment as well as insurance against accident or illness is the responsibility of the student or the benefiting institution or organisation.

Proof of Performance of the Solidarity Module

Students who choose to sign up for solidarity modules in the voluntary variant must submit a written report with photos and/or videos and a list of the assignments performed by 31 July 2020. Students who have been or will be called up for a pandemic mission by the civilian service or the military need to show the entry in their service booklet or the performance record as proof of their performance.

I am already looking forward to the many pandemic missions carried out by students of the UAS Grisons. In this way we can show our solidarity with society.

Best regards and stay healthy!
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